

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF ARIZONA

In the Matter of:)	
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APPOINTMENT OF A CHAIR TO THE)	Administrative Order
COMMITTEE ON EXAMINATIONS)	No. 2013 - <u>113</u>
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Rule 33, Arizona Rules of the Supreme Court provides that the Supreme Court shall appoint members to the Arizona Supreme Court Committee on Examinations; members are now appointed for a four-year term with possible reappointment. Rule 33 is silent regarding the appointment of the chair of the Committee. In contrast, the rules governing other Supreme Court committees specify that the Chief Justice shall select the chair from among the appointed members and shall appoint the chair to serve in that capacity for a multi-year term.

On November 6, 2009, via Administrative Order No. 2009-111, the Court appointed Mary Grier to the Committee. Ms. Grier has now served four years of her seven-year term as a member of the Committee.

There have been significant changes to the attorney admissions process in recent years including term length, and additional changes are currently under consideration by the Committee and the Court. Appointment of the Committee chair by the Chief Justice for a multi-year term will more fully utilize the knowledge and expertise of the members, assist in the transition and continuity of leadership, and provide for consistency across Court committees. Therefore, after due consideration,

IT IS ORDERED that Mary Grier is appointed chair of the Committee on Examinations, effective upon appointment. Ms. Grier will serve as chair until December 31, 2015.

Dated this 18th day of December, 2013.

REBECCA WHITE BERCH
Chief Justice